



Iowa Ag News – Cattle on Feed

Iowa Field Office · 210 Walnut Street Ste 833 · Des Moines IA 50309 · (515) 284-4340 · (800) 772-0825
fax (515) 284-4342 or (800) 719-1794 · www.nass.usda.gov/ia

Cooperating with the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship

July 20, 2012

Media Contact: Greg Thessen

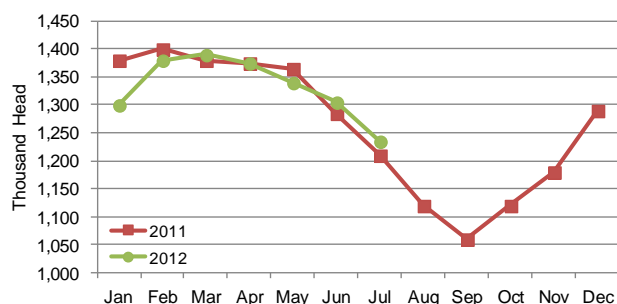
Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Iowa for all feedlots totaled 1,235,000 on July 1, 2012 according to the USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service, Iowa Field Office. The inventory is down 5 percent from June 1, 2012 but up 2 percent from July 1, 2011. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head had 620,000 head on feed, down 3 percent from last month but up 5 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head had 615,000 head on feed, down 8 percent from last month and down 1 percent from last year.

Placements during June totaled 121,000 head, a decrease of 4 percent from last month but up 6 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity

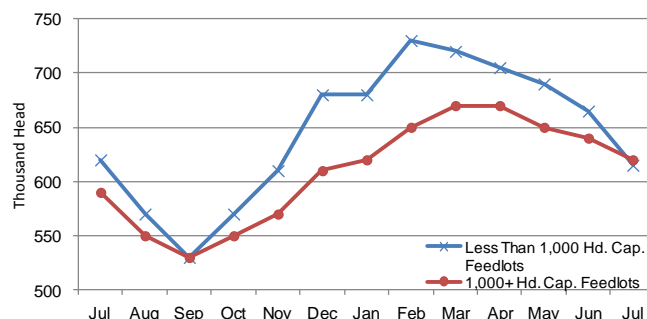
greater than 1,000 head placed 61,000 head, up 3 percent from last month but down 5 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head placed 60,000 head. This is down 10 percent from last month but up 20 percent from last year.

Marketings for June were 182,000 head, up 18 percent from last month and up 1 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head marketed 77,000 head, up 20 percent from last month but down 4 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head marketed 105,000 head, up 17 percent from last month and up 5 percent from last year. Other disappearance totaled 9,000 head.

Cattle on Feed, Inventory on all Feedlots, Iowa: 2011-2012



Cattle on Feed, Inventory by Feedlot Capacity, Iowa: Past 12 Months



All Cattle on Feed, Iowa

Item	Lots 1,000+ Head	Lots Less than 1,000 Head	All Lots
	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)
Cattle on Feed, June 1, 2012	640	665	1,305
June Placements	61	60	121
June Marketings	77	105	182
June Other Disappearance	4	5	9
Cattle on Feed, July 1, 2012	620	615	1,235

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings, and Other Disappearance by Month, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots

[Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.]

State	Cattle on Feed July 1			Placements during June			Marketings during June			June Disappearance other than Slaughter ¹		
	2011	2012	'12 as % of '11	2011	2012	'12 as % of '11	2011	2012	'12 as % of '11	2011	2012	'12 as % of '11
	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(Percent)	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(Percent)	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(Percent)	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(Percent)
Arizona	287	279	97	25	28	112	27	30	111	1	1	100
California	470	480	102	70	49	70	58	56	97	2	3	150
Colorado	1,000	970	97	105	125	119	175	170	97	10	5	50
Idaho	215	200	93	34	34	100	47	43	91	2	1	50
Iowa	590	620	105	64	61	95	80	77	96	4	4	100
Kansas	2,030	2,050	101	390	390	100	460	415	90	10	15	150
Nebraska	2,020	2,270	112	310	385	124	465	465	100	15	10	67
Oklahoma	350	320	91	62	53	85	65	51	78	2	2	100
South Dakota ..	210	210	100	31	28	90	46	47	102	10	1	10
Texas	2,690	2,670	99	500	420	84	560	500	89	10	20	200
Washington	192	210	109	41	36	88	39	45	115	3	1	33
Other States	379	431	114	63	55	87	70	66	94	3	3	100
United States ..	10,433	10,710	103	1,695	1,664	98	2,092	1,965	94	72	66	92

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

¹ Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed by Class, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots by Quarter, State, and United States, 2011-2012

State	Steers & Steer Calves			Heifers & Heifer Calves			Cows & Bulls		
	July 1, 2011	April 1, 2012	July 1, 2012	July 1, 2011	April 1, 2012	July 1, 2012	July 1, 2011	April 1, 2012	July 1, 2012
	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)
Arizona	283	274	265	4	4	14	0	0	0
California	410	425	415	60	65	64	0	0	1
Colorado	690	730	645	305	335	320	5	5	5
Idaho	110	131	127	104	92	69	1	2	4
Iowa	410	480	445	180	189	175	0	1	0
Kansas	1,070	1,180	1,070	955	985	975	5	5	5
Nebraska	1,190	1,530	1,360	820	980	890	10	20	20
Oklahoma	210	200	200	140	120	120	0	0	0
South Dakota ..	107	138	121	86	100	71	17	17	18
Texas	1,630	1,610	1,630	1,059	1,169	1,039	1	1	1
Washington	120	143	133	71	88	76	1	2	1
Other States ...	272	333	325	106	127	105	1	1	1
United States ..	6,502	7,174	6,736	3,890	4,254	3,918	41	54	56

United States Cattle on Feed

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.7 million head on July 1, 2012. The inventory was 3 percent above July 1, 2011. The inventory included 6.74 million steers and steer calves, up 4 percent from the previous year. This group accounted for 63 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 3.92 million head, up 1 percent from 2011.

Placements in feedlots during June totaled 1.66 million, 2 percent below 2011. Net placements were 1.60 million head. During June, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 460,000, 600-699 pounds were 320,000, 700-799 pounds were 390,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 494,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during June totaled 1.97 million, 6 percent below 2011. This is the lowest fed cattle marketings for the month of June since the series began in 1996.

Other disappearance totaled 66,000 during June, 8 percent below 2011.